

SUMMARY
STATE ELECTION BOARD MEETING
200 Washington Street
Suite 450 State Capitol Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30334
Thursday, June 21, 2007
1:00 p.m.

1. Chairperson Handel called the State Election Board (SEB) Meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. with a roll call. Randy Evans and Jeff Israel were in present and Tex McIver arrived at 1:25 p.m. and David Worley arrived at 1:38 p.m.
2. Randy Evans made a motion to approve the minutes from March 13, 2007, March 22, 2007, May 23, 2007, and June 13, 2007. Jeff Israel seconded, motion passed unanimously.
3. The Inspector General, Shawn LaGrua, presented the following cases:
 - a. SEB Case No. 2006-000016 White County – Shawn LaGrua recommended closing this case. Randy Evans made a motion to accept Ms. LaGrua's recommendation, Jeff Israel seconded, motion passed unanimously.
 - b. SEB Case No. 2006-000046 Gwinnett County – Shawn LaGrua recommended closing this case. Randy Evans moved to accept the recommendation pending Ray Cobb, Center for Election Systems, Kennesaw State University, input be reflected in the minutes. Chairperson Handel seconded, motion passed unanimously.
 - c. SEB Case No. 2007-000007 Bartow County - Shawn LaGrua recommended closing this case. Randy Evans made a motion to accept Ms. LaGrua's recommendation. Jeff Israel seconded, motion passed unanimously.
 - d. SEB Case No. 2005-000068 City of Eatonton – Shawn LaGrua recommended this case be referred to the Attorney General's (AG) office and to the District Attorney's office for Felony False Statement Charges. Randy Evans made a motion to refer the case to the AG's office. Chairperson Handel seconded, motion passed 3 – 1 and David Worley abstained.
 - e. SEB Case No. 2006-000027 Lamar County – Shawn LaGrua recommended the case be referred to the AG's office. Randy Evans made a motion that Allegations 1, 2, 7, and 4 (minus reference to Georgia Code Sections 381 and 596 which may not be applicable) be forwarded to the AG's office. Chairperson Handel seconded, motion passed unanimously.
 - f. SEB Case No. 2006-000051 Fannin County– Shawn LaGrua recommended the case be referred to the AG's office. Fannin County Board of Registrars and Elections Attorney spoke briefly and made an admission of guilt with regards to the Absentee Ballot Rejection and to the Signature Verification Allegation. Ms. Daus stated they were in the process of implementing a Training Manual and would be willing to have that in a Consent Order. Randy Evans moved to accept the 2 admissions of violations, and to set a remedy hearing for the next SEB meeting, Jeff Israel seconded, motion passed 4 – 1 with Chairperson Handel opposing. Chairperson Handel stated the cases should be handled together.
 - g. Herman Clark, Attorney for Lena Early, stated he didn't receive the Case Summary until Tuesday, June 19, 2007 and wasn't fully prepared to speak. Chairperson Handel asked him if he wanted a continuance, Mr. Clark accepted. Randy Evans made a motion for a continuance. David Worley seconded, motion passed unanimously.

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4. At 2:40 p.m., David Worley made motion to take a break. Chairperson Handel seconded, motion passed unanimously.
5. Chairperson Handel called the meeting to order at 2:51 p.m.
6. The Inspector General, Shawn LaGrua, continued presenting cases:
 - a. SEB Case No. 2007-000004 Fulton County – Shawn LaGrua recommended all allegations and investigations be referred to the AG's office and that a more specific update would be forthcoming at the next SEB meeting. Lee Parks, Attorney for the Fulton County Board of Elections, stated because he was refused access to the evidentiary documentation, he wasn't completely prepared to speak on some of the allegations. Shawn LaGrua stated the cards were scanned and are currently being cataloged. Chairperson Handel asked Mr. Parks if he wanted a continuance, Mr. Parks agreed. David Worley made a motion for a continuance until the September SEB meeting, Chairperson Handel seconded, motion passed unanimously. Chairperson Handel stated the cataloged cards would be made available to Fulton County and that a decision would have to be made at the September 2007 SEB meeting.
 - b. SEB Case No. 2006-000017 Randolph County – Shawn LaGrua stated this case was heard at the March 13, 2007 SEB meeting and was sent back for more investigation. Tommy Coleman, Randolph County Attorney, consented to Allegation 2. Randy Evans made a motion that a Cease and Desist Order and a Reprimand be issued. David Worley seconded, motion passed unanimously.
 - c. SEB Case No. 2007-000005 Randolph County – Shawn LaGrua presented the case. Randy Evans made a motion to close the case against Lorraine Curry and Winona Johnson and to Table the case against Charles Curry until the next SEB meeting. David Worley seconded, the motion passed unanimously.
 - d. SEB Case No. 2007-000006 Randolph County – Shawn LaGrua recommended this case be referred to the AG's office. Randy Evans asked Tommy Coleman, Randolph County Attorney, to draft a letter to the AG's office for a legal answer as to if Mr. Cook was entitled to a Hearing or not. Randy Evans made a motion to table this case until the next SEB meeting. Chairperson Handel seconded, the motion passed unanimously.
 - e. SEB Case No. 2006-000050 Chattooga County– Shawn LaGrua stated she would have an update at the next SEB meeting.
 - f. DeKalb County Monitoring – Shawn LaGrua gave a brief update. Currently the memo states updates will be made at the next SEB meeting following the inspections. Randy Evans wanted the verbiage changed to "updates would be provided once they are available."
7. Randy Evans left the meeting at 3:55 p.m.
8. SEB Case No. 2005-000067 – Colandra Almond, Attorney General's Office. Ms. Almond stated that Ms. Slater has agreed to the Cease and Desist Consent Order and a \$100 fine. Ms. Almond recommended the Board accept the Consent Order. David Worley made a motion to accept the recommendation, Tex McIver seconded, motion passed unanimously.

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9. Legislative Update – Rob Simms gave a brief update on HR 811 and stated Phase 3 of HAVA has yet to be appropriated. Jeff Israel made a motion that the Board oppose HR 811. Chairperson Handel seconded, motion passed unanimously.
10. Elections Update - Michael McCarthy stated for the June 19, 2007 Special Election, 22 poll monitors were deployed and over 300 election sites were visited. A July 17, 2007 Run-off would be held in the U.S. Representative, 10th District. Chairperson Handel stated the Board would receive an update after all elections.
11. Photo ID Report – Tex McIver stated to date, 2,796 ID's had been issued. Mr. McIver continues to be concerned that Richmond County issues twice the amount of ID's as Fulton County which is a larger county. He is in favor of an audit and Chairperson Handel stated that was coming.
12. The Police and Sheriffs Press, Inc. – Tex McIver stated the contract is up for renewal and read a motion regarding contract specifics that stated among other things, that Performance Assurance would be part of the payment review process rather than by posting of a bond and that the Secretary of State, as SEB Chairman, would be designated as the Contract Administrator. Jeff Israel seconded, motion passed unanimously.
13. David Worley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jeff Israel seconded, motion passed unanimously. Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.